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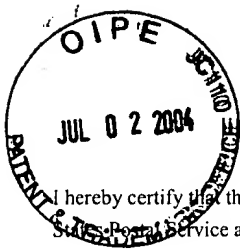
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Application No.: 09/830,830

Filed: April 30, 2001

For: SULFATISATION PROCESS FOR  
METAL EXTRACTION FROM  
SULFIDE ORES

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 3585

Examiner: Melvyn J. Andrews

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**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

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**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.